

**Conference for Food Protection
Council Final Summary Report**

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Committee Charges and Activities: *See individual committee reports for details*

1. List of Committees:

- **Food Recovery Committee (FRC) – Co-Chairs Sandra Craig and Mitzi Baum**
 - **Issue I-001: Food Recovery Committee (FRC) Report**
 - **Issue I-002: FRC Infographic Handouts Acceptance and Posting** – add 4 infographic fact sheets to CFP’s Comprehensive Resource for Food Recovery Programs
 - **Issue I-003: FRC Food Code Amendment** – define “food donation”, specify that food that does not comply with the requirements of Food Code Chapter 3 cannot be donated, and request guidance or interpretative language from FDA
- **CFP-ISSC Shellfish Ad Hoc Committee – Co-Chairs Julie Henderson and Bill Dewey**
 - **Issue I-004: CFP-ISSC: Report and Recreation of Committee**
 - **Issue I-005: CFP-ISSC Amend Food Code** – incorporate requirements from the Shellfish Sanitation Conference 2017 Model Ordinance

2. Council leadership requested action:

- The Food Recovery Committee fulfilled its charges to evaluate existing materials and guidance documents regarding food donations and concluded no changes or additions were needed to the CFP Comprehensive Resource for Food Recovery at this time as the recommendations are sound, science based and relevant. While identifying best practices for handling, storage and labeling of food for donation, the committee felt the best way to disseminate such guidance would be through four (4) infographics which they have requested be added to the existing CFP Comprehensive Resource for Food Recovery Programs. The Committee examined existing state regulations addressing food donations and found very few states have such regulations, and of those states that do have regulations the scope varies greatly. The Committee feels acknowledging the practice of food donations in the Food Code is the best course of action to instill uniformity so they refined the recommendations that were proposed in 2018. The Committee discussed that there may be value in reconstituting the Committee in the future to re-evaluate existing materials and guidance documents when and if FDA provides supplemental guidance and/or interpretative language that addresses specific practices addressed in the Food Code with relation to food donations. The Committee is not requesting any action from the Board at this time; all requests and recommendations have been submitted as Issues.
- The CFP-ISSC Shellfish Ad Hoc Committee reviewed existing guidance and training available for State and local retail regulators and retail establishments, and identified a gap in the availability of educational materials that advise of the importance in complying with Section 3-203.12 in the Food Code. The Committee identified discrepancies in terminology, definitions, and requirements for shellstock tags

between the Food Code and the Model Ordinance that could inhibit compliance with Section 3-203.12 in the Food Code and, as such, submitted an Issue requesting the Food Code be amended. The Committee has made a request, via Issue submission (Issue 2020 I-004), to continue working together on the joint committee to develop these much-needed guidance documents. The Committee requested the Board continue the CFP-ISSC Shellfish Ad Hoc Committee and appoint CFP members to serve on the CFP-ISSC Shellfish Ad Hoc Committee, which was completed by the Board in 2020. The committee is not requesting any action from the Board at this time; all requests and recommendations have been submitted as Issues.

3. Council Issue Breakdown:

- There are 35 Issues assigned to Council I for 2020
 - Five Issues were submitted by the two assigned committees
 - Thirty Issues were generated from independent sources.